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FOR SHINN FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OGEN  
SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. GARRISON WOULD APPRECIATE SOMEONE MAKING TWO CALLS:

A. DEAN CARIGNAN, BATES COLLEGE, LEWISTON, MAINE: I  
AM CONFIRMING BY LETTER MY DAUGHTER SARAH'S PLAN TO  
TAKE A LEAVE OF ABSENCE THIS TERM IN ORDER TO CONTINUE  
HER WORK IN MARYLAND AND SPEND TIME WITH US IN MOSCOW.  
APPRECIATE YOUR CONSIDERATION.

B. MR. OR MRS. MARK GARRISON, ARDMORE PENNA,  
215 896-0375: TELL SARAH THERE ARE JOBS IN CONSULAR  
SECTION, ONE REQUIRING RUSSIAN AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY.  
SHE INFORMED US ABOUT TAKING LEAVE OF ABSENCE AND WE  
HAVE CONFIRMED WITH BATES.

2. FOR ANN MCFARLANE: ALL ICCUSA PAPERS ARE MOST  
USEFUL HERE. COULD YOU PLEASE PROVIDE CURRENT CALENDAR  
AND NEW ONE EACH TIME YOU UPDATE WITHOUT WAITING FOR  
MINUTES?

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3. RE B&F STAFFING PROBLEMS, AT THIS POINT DIFFICULTY  
IS MORE DUE TO LACK OF EXPERIENCE THAN WITH SHORTAGE  
OF STAFF. OUR PRIMARY CONCERN IS TO FIND SOMEONE WHO  
CAN COORDINATE OUR OUTSTANDING BUDGET SUBMISSIONS.  
LEONNIG, HUGGINS AND SIMPSON ARE QUICK, CONSCIENTIOUS  
AND COMPETENT BUT JUST DO NOT HAVE EXPERIENCE TO  
COMPILE COMPLETE, ACCURATE REPORTS. HOWEVER, IF TDY'ER

NOT AVAILABLE AND O'MARA IS, WE WOULD DEFINITELY TAKE HIM TO RELIEVE LEONNIG OF ROUTINE DUTIES SO THAT HE CAN WORK ON BUDGETS BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE IN NOVEMBER.

4. IN CONNECTION WITH UPDATED GUIDANCE ON THE S&T BILATERALS PROVIDED IN STATE 195872, THE FOLLOWING MATTERS APPEAR TO REQUIRE MOST IMMEDIATE ACTION:

A. REPLY ON GOSSTROY PROPOSAL TO HOLD HOUSING AGREEMENT EXECUTIVES SECRETARIES MEETING IN AUGUST 21-27.

B. LETTER ANNOUNCING SOLOMON VISIT CANCELLATION.

C. POSSIBLY REVISED INVITATION LETTER TO PAVLOVSKIY. (IF CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT, HIS VISIT MIGHT BE TIMED TO COINCIDE WITH THE RAIL TRANSPORT WG MEETING, WHICH SOVIETS HAVE PROPOSED TO HOLD IN US MID OR LATE OCTOBER.)

D. DOT REPLY ON WHETHER SOVIET TWO YEAR PLANNING PROPOSAL (MOSCOW 18042) IS ACCEPTABLE AND IF SO, WHEN DRAFT PLANS CAN BE EXCHANGED AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES MEET.

E. IT ALSO STRIKES US THAT IN VIEW OF PROHIBITION ON EXECUTIVE SECRETARY CONTACTS OTHER THAN HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION, AND IN LIGHT OF PAST HISTORY, WE WILL CONFIDENTIAL

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HAVE TO COORDINATE CLOSELY TO ENSURE THAT MOH-HEW TELEX IS NOT USED IN PREPARWPION FOR HEALTH JCM, SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 24-28.

5. THE COMMUNICATIONS UNIT WILL CLOSE FROM 1600 HOURS SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, UNTIL 0600 HOURS, MONDAY AUGUST 7 (MOSCOW TIMES). NIACT IMMEDIATES WILL, OF COURSE, COME THROUGH. THIS IS A TRIAL OF WHAT WE HOPE TO MAKE STANDARD PROCEDURE. TOON

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